



Guidelines for installing AquaCrop Version 5.0

The FAO AquaCrop webpage <http://www.fao.org/nr/water/aquacrop.html> contains two zipped files which can be downloaded for installing AquaCrop on the PC:

- **AquaCropV50Nr23102015.zip**: a zipped file containing the installation file for AquaCrop on a 32-bit PC;
- **AquaCrop64bitV50Nr23102015.zip**: a zipped file containing the files to be copied to an AquaCrop folder on a 64-bit PC.

Standard installation procedure for 32-bit PC

1. Copy the zipped file '**AquaCropV50Nr23102015.zip**' to the PC;
2. Unzip; and
3. Run SETUP.EXE (an 'Application' type of file for 32-bit PC, to install software).

When running the installation file, a series of windows will pop up. By selecting 'Next >' in each of the windows, AquaCrop will be installed by default in a subfolder of the 'FAO Folder' of the PC (which will be created when not available). The default directory is: C:\FAO\AquaCrop

Copying the AquaCrop program to a 64-bit PC

1. Copy the zipped file '**AquaCrop64bitV50Nr23102015.zip**' to the PC;
2. Unzip;
3. Copy the full content of the unzipped file (files and 5 directories with more files);
4. Paste the full content in a directory of the PC (for example C:\FAO\AquaCrop).

Once installed

If AquaCrop is correctly installed, the AquaCrop folder should contain:

- (i) the AquaCrop.EXE file (the executable file to launch the program);
- (ii) and five subdirectories:
 - **DATA** (default subdirectory for the input files);
 - **IMPORT** (default subdirectory for text files with climatic data);
 - **OBS** (default subdirectory for the field observations files);
 - **OUTP** (default subdirectory for the output files);
 - **SIMUL** (subdirectory for simulation purposes, containing between other files the MaunaLoa.CO2 file, files with default project settings (*.PAR), and SOILS.DIR (a file with default values for soil characteristics).